

MINUTES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND TECHNOLOGY

Wednesday, April 4, 2007 9:00 a.m. Room 519 House Office Building, Lansing

Representative Accavitti, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Accavitti, Mayes, Angerer, Brown, Clemente, Lemmons, Lindberg, Melton, Miller, Nofs, Palsrok, Moolenaar, Horn. (13/19)

ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representatives Ebli, Hammon, Hopgood, Garfield, Huizenga, Opsommer. (6/19)

Representative Melton made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting of March 28, 2007. No objections being offered, the minutes were adopted by unanimous consent.

Representative Nofs made a motion to excuse absent members. No objections being offered, absent members were excused.

Barry Cargill, Bob Nelson and Eric Schneidewind, representing the Customer Choice Coalition (CCC), continued a discussion initiated at the previous meeting regarding competition and high electricity rates. Questions were answered for Committee members.

Chair Accavitti stated that the Committee would stand at ease, the time being 9:35 a.m.

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 9:48 a.m.

Fritz Benson and Rick Coy, representing the Association of Businesses Advocating Tariff Equity (ABATE), spoke to the Committee regarding the 21st Century Energy Plan and P.A. 141 and P.A. 142 of 2000. Topics discussed included a historical perspective of P.A. 141 and P.A. 142; high industrial rates; some specific parts of the 21st Century Energy Plan; and the concept of funding power plants prior to construction (or before the plants are in service). Questions and discussion followed.

Larry Crittenden, representing the Michigan Association of Broadcasters Service Corporation, submitted a card indicating opposition to the elimination of P.A. 141.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Chair Accavitti declared the meeting adjourned, the time being 10:32 a.m.

Representative Frank Accavitti, Jr.

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